



LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

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The Honorable Board of Directors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Directors:

**ALLOCATE COUNTY AND CITIES EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE
TO THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
AND AUTHORIZE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION
OF EXCESS FUNDS GRANT TO THE
LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION FOR
THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL OUTDOOR FURNITURE REFURBISHMENT PROJECT
(THIRD DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate \$450,000 in County and \$450,000 in Cities Excess Funds available to the Third Supervisorial District, for a grant in the amount of \$900,000 to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association to fund the Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find the proposed Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act because the project involves replacement of existing facilities for the reasons stated herein and reflected in the record of the project.
2. Allocate \$450,000 of County Excess Funds available to the Third Supervisorial District to the Department of Parks and Recreation who will assign the County's right to apply for these funds to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association for the Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project.
3. Allocate \$450,000 of Cities Excess Funds available to the Third Supervisorial District to the City of Los Angeles who will assign the City's right to apply for these funds to the Los Angeles

Philharmonic Association for the Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project.

4. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award a grant to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association, in the amount of \$900,000, after the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles assign their right to apply for the Cities and County Excess Funds for the Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project to the Philharmonic when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grant as of the date of award and pursuant to guidelines in the Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects, otherwise funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate \$450,000 in County and \$450,000 in Cities Excess Funds available to the Third Supervisorial District, totaling \$900,000 to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association (LAPA) for the Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project at the Hollywood Bowl; and provide for administration of the grant, when awarded, under the existing Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects (Procedural Guide).

The proposed project consists of site preparation, purchase and installation of non-portable outdoor furnishings in the 1920's Streamline Moderne style consistent with the designs of Hollywood Bowl entrance, the shell of the Bowl and other structures throughout the complex. The proposed furnishings will meet the standards of the Hollywood Bowl's Design Guidelines, written in 2003, and will enhance the overall appearance and utility of the outdoor space at the Bowl. Furnishings will include fixed benches, picnic benches, tables, seating areas and waste receptacles consistent with Americans with Disabilities Act guidelines. The total cost for the project is \$1,400,000. In addition to the \$900,000 in funding identified by this action, \$500,000 of Proposition 62 funds will be used in the project for the purchase of portable furniture for areas of the Bowl's exterior areas.

It is also recommended that the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Director) be authorized to award the grant to LAPA, when applicable conditions have been met, such as grantee qualifications, consistency between the projects and requirements of the 1996 Proposition, and grantee agreement with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for the project, if applicable, and to administer the grant pursuant to the Procedural Guide previously approved by your Board.

In a related item on your Board's agenda, the Department of Parks and Recreation requests your Board's approval to assign the County's right to apply for \$450,000 in County Excess Funds to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), by enhancing safe, accessible and esthetically-pleasing recreational opportunities in the City of Los Angeles in the Third Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grant, in the amount of \$900,000, is budgeted in the Third Supervisorial District's portion of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's

(District) Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. LAPA meets this requirement. The 1996 Proposition also requires that Excess Funds be awarded to cities in the same total amount as is awarded to the County in the same fiscal year.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended grant would be funded from the Excess Funds available to the Third Supervisorial District from Excess Funds for County and City projects.

The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Director will be authorized to award a grant to LAPA when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board, but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year, shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

On June 2, 2009, your Board approved the Procedural Guide, for governing the administration of District grants. The Procedural Guide will appropriately govern the administration of the recommended additional grant as well.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Hollywood Bowl Outdoor Furniture Refurbishment Project is categorically exempt from the CEQA according to Section 15302 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 2 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the proposed project consists of replacement of existing facilities.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

A Grant Project Agreement will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Director and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009 only if all applicable conditions of the grants have been met.

The Project Agreement will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended projects will enhance safe, accessible and aesthetically-pleasing recreational opportunities in the City of Los Angeles, at the Hollywood Bowl and benefit County residents in the Third Supervisorial District and throughout the County.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Russ Guiney", is written in a cursive style.

RUSS GUINEY

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office
County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors